

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 have been cancelled and replaced with new claims 19-39. New claims 19 and 23-39 correspond to original claims 1-18, respectively. Support for recitation of "purine-rich stretch and loop structure" in new claims 20 and 23 may be found in Figure 1F. Support for (c) of new claim 21 may be found on page 4, lines 12-13 of the specification. As such, new claims 19-39 are fully supported by the specification and entry and consideration thereof are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the present application he is requested to please contact MaryAnne Armstrong, PhD (Reg. No. 40,069) in the Washington DC area at (703) 205-8000.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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